

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dermatology Research Meeting

Atlantic City, N. J.

A dermatology research seminar for the presentation of selected research communications will be held on April 30, 1966 in Atlantic City, New Jersey preceding the annual national clinical research meetings. The program will take place in the Garden Room of Chalfonte-Haddon Hall between 9:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. All interested persons are invited to attend.

Annual Essay Contest

The American Dermatological Association Research and Educational Fund, Inc., is again offering awards for the best essays submitted for original work, not previously published, relative to some fundamental aspect of dermatology or syphilology. The purpose of this contest is to stimulate investigators to original work in these fields. Two cash awards are available as follows: One thousand dollars for first place and four hundred dollars for second place.

Manuscripts typed in English with double spacing and ample margins as for publication, together with illustrations, charts and tables, all of which must be in *quintuplicate*, are to be submitted NOT LATER THAN OCTOBER 1, 1966.

The manuscripts should be sent to Dr. R. R. Kierland, Secretary, American Dermatological Association Research and Educational Fund, Inc., Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota. Those which are incomplete in any of the above aspects will not be considered. Manuscripts should not exceed ten thousand words. In order to aid fair judgment, papers should be submitted under a "nom de plume" with no information anywhere in the paper as to the institution or clinic where the work was done. Along with the paper by "John Smith," for example, a plain sealed envelope bearing on the outside the nom de plume, and inside the full name and address of the author, with verification of work, is also submitted. Only after all of the papers have been judged and returned to the Chairman are the sealed envelopes opened and the winners known.

Competition in this contest is open to dermatologists in training or those who have recently completed their training. The work upon which the essay is based must be done within the first five (5) years of dermatologic training and this must be verified by the head of the essayist's department. Such certificate of verification must be contained in the plain sealed envelope mentioned above. Members of the American Dermatological Association are not eligible.

The awards will be made by the Essay Committee of the American Dermatological Association Research and Educational Fund, Inc., and its decision shall be final. The essays are judged on the following considerations: (1) originality of ideas; (2) potential importance of the work; (3) experimental methods and use of controls; (4) evaluation of results; (5) clarity of presentation. This contest is planned as an annual one, but if in any year, at the discretion of the Committee, no paper worthy of an award is offered, the awards will be omitted.

The results will be announced prior to December 15, 1966. Essays receiving first and second places are the exclusive property of the American Dermatological Association Research and Educational Fund, Inc.; those not winning an award remain the property of the authors and will be returned.

The candidates winning awards may be invited to present the papers before the annual meeting of the American Dermatological Association with expenses paid, in addition to the monetary award. The time allowed for presentation of the winning essay shall not exceed thirty minutes. Further information regarding this essay contest may be obtained by writing to the Secretary of the American Dermatological Association Research and Educational Fund, Inc.

Establishment of the Dermatology Foundation

The Dermatology Foundation, a national, non-profit organization, has been established to secure support for educational and scientific activities in the field of dermatology.

The Foundation was formed to help improve teaching, practice and research, thereby contributing to the better control of skin diseases. The organization is privately financed from contributions, endowments and bequests.

The three major dermatological societies in the United States have endorsed the formation of the Foundation. Each of the three organizations—the American Academy of Dermatology, the American Dermatological Association and the Society for Investigative Dermatology—has nominated members of the Board of Trustees.

The Foundation's Board of Trustees maintains contact with all aspects of dermatology through appointed committees. By determining long range needs and establishing plans of action, the Trustees can provide support where necessary, furthering the Dermatology Foundation's objective of better patient care.

The Founding Trustees are: Donald M. Pillsbury, M.D., Chairman; Irvin H. Blank, Ph.D., Secretary; J. Lowry Miller, M.D., Treasurer; Herman Beerman, M.D.; Thomas B. Fitzpatrick, M.D.; Robert R. Kierland, M.D.; Clarence S. Livingood, M.D.; Wiley M. Sams, M.D.; Marion B. Sulzberger, M.D., and Eugene J. Van Scott, M.D.

The Foundation has established an office at 420 Lexington Avenue, New York, N. Y. 10017 (area code 212 Murray Hill 3-6066). Gerard W. Speyer is Executive Director. Stephen T. Donohue will serve as Public Relations Counsel.

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Taub International Memorial Award

The 1965 winner of the \$1,000 Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Taub International Memorial Award for Psoriasis Research is Dr. Gunnar Lomholt of the Dermatological Laboratory, Finsen Institute, Copenhagen, Denmark. A committee of seven dermatologists selected Dr. Lomholt for his outstanding book, "Psoriasis: Prevalence, Spontaneous Course, and Genetics. A Census Study on the Prevalence of Skin Disease on the Faroe Islands."

The Psoriasis Research Award Committee and the Department of Dermatology, Baylor University College of Medicine, are very happy to recognize this unique and thorough study published by Dr. Lomholt.

Scientific Exhibits

Applications are now being accepted for space for Scientific Exhibits at the meeting of the American Academy of Dermatology to be held at the Americana Hotel at Bal Harbour, Florida, in December, 1966. Awards will be given for the best exhibits in each of the following categories:

- 1) Original investigation
- 2) Teaching value
- 3) Historical

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